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Congratulations, Canadian champs

Canadian badminton champions Tom Peat and Mark Nelson

Photo by John Perkins

By JOHN PERKINS
Staff Writer

Tom Peat and Mark Nelson have won the Canadian colleges badminton championship and Niagara's first national gold medal.

Capturing the men's doubles, they defeated British Columbia 15-6, 9-15, 15-5 in Saskatchewan on March 24.

In addition to being recognized as the premiere college doubles tandem in Canada, they were also given due acclaim by the Ontario College Athletic Association. Mark and Tom were chosen the OCAA Seagram's team of the week, an honor that eluded them when they captured the Ontario doubles championship.

Coach Dave Carpenter, though elated, was not surprised. "I told them they were the best team as a combination. There are no better; they just needed confidence."

Mr. Carpenter resented the fact that he was not permitted to attend the event in Saskatoon. The Ontario team was coached by a representative from Georgian College.

"The voting process was very bad — five coaches voted — none from our own division," Mr. Carpenter said. "If I was there it would have gone smoother for Mark and Tom."

EARLY PROBLEMS

Tom said they had a few problems in the preliminary round robin matches. "We were second after the round robin. We hadn't

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Papers more careful: Globe and Mail editor

By SHIRLEY LeREVEREND
Staff Writer

Newspapers are more careful and more accurate than they ever were, Norman Webster said. While they have been replaced by television as the primary news source, reports of their death are exaggerated.

His job as editor-in-chief of The Globe and Mail is "to convey information to people, distilled and edited for the most important details," he told his audience at Brock University on March 21.

The press has always had its critics — from Thomas Jefferson who said "Nothing can be believed if seen in a newspaper," to the comment from a Quebec actress that "Journalists are rats."

Newspapers should do the job according to the old precepts, he said. "Reporters should report. Editors should edit. Never assume a Gawd-damned thing."

NOT IN CANADA

He quoted Peter Desbarats, dean of journalism at the University of Western Ontario, who said that if Watergate had happened in Canada, Deep Throat would have been arrested. Editors and reporters at the Washington Post would have been shamed and disgraced and Richard Nixon would have been re-elected.

Canadian libel laws are tough, Mr. Webster said. Protection for journalists and their sources is much weaker than in the United States.

Not having to reveal sources may make for lazy reporting. After their successful Watergate investigation the Post published a story about a nine-year-old heroin addict. The story won a Pulitzer Prize — but it was false.

A desire for celebrity led a German magazine on a "mad dash" to publish Hitler's diaries without first checking their authenticity. The diaries were a hoax.

"Honesty is a duty" for reporters, and newspapers should strive always to be accurate and fair. He said reporters must be close to the action, but they ought not to be directly involved. "Some television reporters are bigger than the stories they cover."

MISS THE REAL

The media often seem unable to focus on what is really happening in the world, he said. The real story is missed in a sea .. for the sensational and "a concentration on frivolities."

While the media continue to report on events in El Salvador and the U.S. involvement in Nicaragua, "there is a time bomb in every major South American city. Forty million abandoned children roam the streets; a whole generation with absolutely nothing to lose," — a greater danger than any confrontation with communism.

The media missed the significance of The Beatles' revolution and the fact that India is able to feed herself under a democratic system. Little attention was paid to the women's movement. Both Quebec's Quiet Revolution and discontent in the west were ignored.

"A steady diet of world tragedies would make newsreaders newswrecks." Mr. Webster said Americans have turned to religious fundamentalism, "the old faiths," for simple answers; "information overload breeds despair."

JOURNALISM JARGON

The press often uses jargon instead of clear, vivid language, he said. Police are always burly and murders brutal. Scandal rocks city hall and decisions (either watershed or landmark) are made "as the fate of millions hangs grimly in the balance."

"One good thing you learn as an editor is humility. You can't be too arrogant about editing the paper."

Luckily, no one was injured in a car fire in the MacKenzie parking lot March 25 — unfortunately, the car didn't fare as well. Welland firefighters were called to the scene after two ambulance and emergency care students were unable to extinguish the blaze. Firemen said the car was a write-off and gave no estimate of the damage.
Photo by Derek M. Lacey

Car 'writeoff' in blaze

It took Welland firefighters "about five or 10 minutes" to extinguish a car fire in the MacKenzie parking lot March 26.

Captain Lance White said the car, a 1976 Malibu Classic belonging to John Smits of the welding technician program at Niagara College, caught fire as the result "of something on the exhaust pipe." He said it "looked like he (the owner of the car) made up his own floorboards of wood" and that "possibly" a piece of the floorboard "ignited on the tailpipe."

Although there was no exact damage toll, Capt. White said it looked as if the car was "pretty well a writeoff."

An attempt by Ambulance and Emergency Care students Blaine Bates and Dave Clark to put out the fire proved useless as the car was locked when it was spotted burning in the parking lot.

Terry Pack, another ambulance student, said, "The Dean made sure they had a fire extinguisher when they went out." He said a call went into the fire department at about 12:30 p.m.

Tech. night April 25

The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers will play host to the Technical Report night April 25. The night will include presentations of projects done over the past year in the field of computer, electrical and electronics technology.

Several managers of area plants will speak at the 10th annual banquet, being held at the Park Motor Hotel, Niagara Falls.

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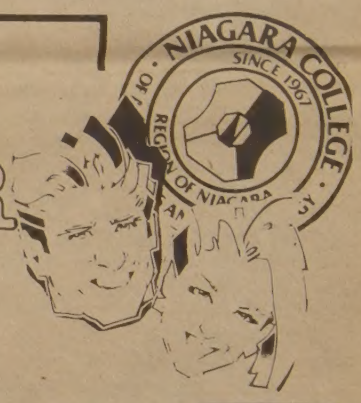

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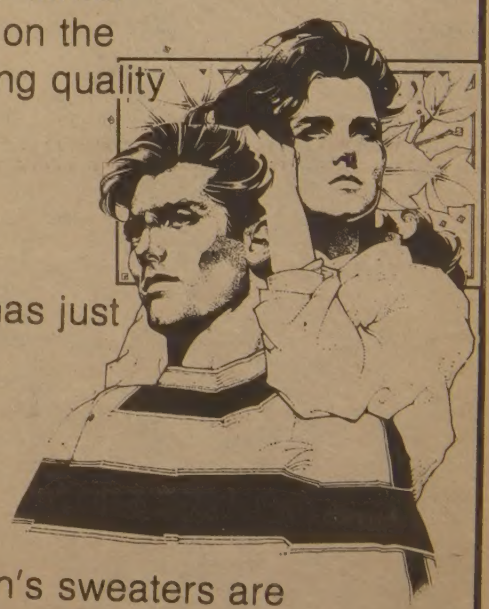

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Funding increases only 1%, college 'not grown 'enough

BY DEREK M. LACEY
Staff Writer

Niagara College president Jacqueline Robarts said she has learned that the college will only receive a one per cent increase in funding over last year, though she said the adult training program will receive "exactly the same as last year."

She said Gary LaRose, college treasurer, had recently called the Ministry of Colleges and Universities to find out how the "simulations" had gone for the college's placement figures. The word he received was that the college "had not grown enough" to warrant a larger increase in funding.

Miss Robarts said " all the members of the President's Executive Council have beeen sent back to the drawing boards to rework their budgets for the coming 1985-86 school year. She said they will have to work with budgets of 101 per cent.

At present she said her "greatest concern" will be "our inability to get new or replacement equipment and keep up with renovations" to the college. "It could prove to be a really serious problem."

MAY AFFECT '86-87

Although she said there are no plans to drop any programs from the coming school year, "there might be closures" for the 1986-87 school year.

She also said, "In all sincerity I can't guarantee there won't be any" layoffs around the college. "We'll do a lot of other things before we do that."

She said that as a medium sized college, Niagara College "really gets caught." While other colleges have grown in placement numbers, Niagara didn't show the same amount of growth.

The college's funding was" the lowest in the system." One college received a 15 per cent increase.

"We're hoping by the end of April we'll have a budget." She is planning to have meetings with Mr. LaRose and the individuals who are responsible for the budgets on April 19.

She hopes to receive more information on the government's funding by April 15.

Jim Douglas of the Niagara Peninsula Authority explains how a maple tree is tapped at the Sugar Bush.
Photo by Tammy Dollar

Problems, solutions in election speeches

By Niagara News
Election Staff

Problems of communication, participation and satellite isolation are the same. Solutions presented by three presidential candidates, however, are different.

Campaign speeches by John Turner, Dino Giammarco and Thomas Stockwell were heard last week at the main and satellite campuses in their bid for a spot on the 1985/86 Student Administrative Council.

Ray Vandermeer, also a candidate for president, was forced to withdraw from the election when his grades did not meet official requirements, Donna Flutur, SAC secretary, said.

For election campaigning by all candidates see pages 6 and 7.

A closed-circuit information channel and color monitor would be used to keep students up to date on college events and class cancellations if Dino Giammarco, running with the Triple E party, is elected.

Other proposals Dino brought forth were transportation to pubs in Welland for satellite students and other pubs in St. Catharines and Niagara Falls. He said he would also try to devise a college mascot and arrange floats for parades, as well as entrenching a student bill of rights in the SAC constitution.

Both John Turner, a MASH party candidate, and independent Thomas Stockwell turned thumbs down on the information channel saying the proposed cost of $15,000 for the main campus alone could best be put to other uses.

Dino emphasized that advertising potential would bring in money for SAC and that electronics students could be employed to maintain the system.

NEWSLETTER INSTEAD

Independent Thomas Stockwell, if elected, would instead communicate with students via a newsletter to be published every two weeks. "I don't like the information system idea at all," he said. "The newsletter would be cheaper."

Thomas also stressed more communication and the interworkings of all students of Niagara College. He told Mack Nursing students that in the past, the satellites were treated like stepchildren. If elected, he would have monthly meetings with satellite and class reps to make sure they are not neglected.

HAS EXPERIENCE

MASH candidate John Turner, who is running for re-election this year, told horticulture students that bulletin boards were sufficient to pass on information, and that the monitor system was not necessary.

If elected, he would consider using the SAC trust fund for better furniture and a stereo system for the student lounges. He also stressed that having been president for most of this year has given him the experience necessary to fulfil his role as president.

ABOUT THAT LICENCE

Angela Brigante, a candidate for vice-president with the Triple E party, said one of the first things she would do if elected is to look into the loss of the Horticulture Centre's liquor licence last fall. She said she would do what she could about getting it back.

The licence was also on the mind of Ron Vahrmeyer, MASH candidate for social convener. He said he would work with the pub committee to appeal the decision in hopes of having it restored.

In conclusion, Thomas Stockwell said he would like to "see Niagara grow as you people like to see things grow."

Floating in fashion

By KEN GOUDSWAARD
Staff Writer

With the sound of new wave music floating through the air, the models turned and pivoted, displaying fashions with the labels of Hepburn, Kotris, Duguay, and Gasiorek, not Hechter and Klein

The second-year fashion arts students held their annual fashion show last Tuesday, displaying short-sleeve form-fitting dresses and designs that spanned the history of fashion.

Held in the cafeteria, the event was produced by N. Vrne Tisi, one of the program's first graduates. White table coverings and helium balloons gave the cafeteria a sense of celebration.

"I thought it turned out well, I'm fairly pleased with them," Maura Hamill, a fashion arts design instructor, said. "There are always little things that could have been ironed out."

The show featured the designs of both the first and second-year students. The first-year students could only work in white unbleached muslin. The women were allowed to design skirts and jackets and the men pants and jackets. "They had to be appropriate for their body types," Miss Hamill said.

Lisa Kotris, a second-year student, made sure everything was done, "they termed it fashion show co-ordinator," she said. The show had been planned since January.

One of the more glamorous designs was a black moire taffeta sleeveless dress designed and modelled by Monica Hepburn, a second-year student. The form-fitting dress featured a mandarin collar with a black bolero with exaggerated shoulders.

The evening ended with the students presenting roses to their instructors, thanking them for their help.

Maple syrup welcomes sweet, sweet spring

By TAMMY DOLLAR
Staff Writer

With memories of snow past and the arrival of spring, comes the miracle of the maple. During Maple Syrup Days, the annual ritual of tapping the maples, hanging the buckets, collecting the sap and firing up the evaporator in the sugar shanty begins at the Vineland Quarries Sugar Bush.

The maple season is on its way with delectable maple syrup to tempt a sweet tooth. A nutritious, delicious food enjoyed by everybody in a number of ways: maple syrup, maple sugar, maple butter, maple taffy, and the sweetness goes on.

Legend

Legend has it that maple syrup was first discovered long ago by Indian braves who were practising tomahawk throwing. It was said that one of the braves hit a maple tree and clear liquid flowed from the gash.

A squaw on her way to get water stopped to rest by the tree and saw the clear liquid that had collected in a piece of bark. Instead of going to the spring she took the liquid and used it to cook venison. Her brave thought it was delicious and asked her how she had cooked the meat. She proceeded to tell him about the clear liquid that seeped from the maple tree. From then on, this sap was known to the Indians as sweet water and was used to cook venison.

Early settlers in Canada saw the Indians making a crude black syrup by throwing hot stones into a trough of sap. The settlers used wooden troughs to collect sap as it dripped from a piece of bark they set into a tree below an X gash. It was later found that driving a curved gouge of metal into a tree, and replacing it with a curved piece of tin to serve as a spile, was more efficient.

Throughout the years many different type of buckets have been used to collect sap: Wooden, metal and modern plastic. A new or modern way of collecting sap is plastic tubing. It is cheaper because the sap from many trees can flow and be pumped to the sugar shanty or storage tanks together. This method keeps the sap cleaner, making for a higher quality of syrup.

Tapping is not harmful to the maple tree as long as it is done carefully. Tapping is started in late March or early April, just as soon as the days become warm enough for the sap to flow.

Tapping

A small hole is bored in the trunk of the tree about three feet from the ground. A spile made of metal or plastic is inserted. A bucket is hung from the spile to catch the sap.

As the sap comes from the tree it is composed of water, sugar and a variety of minerals. These give syrup its maple flavor. The flow of sap can be affected by many factors; the type, age, size and health of the maple tree.

A good tree may give up to 40 gallons of sap in one season but 40 gallons of raw sap is only one gallon of finished syrup.

Raw sap is pumped into evaporators that are fired with wood or oil. As the sap flows at a constant boil, the water escapes in the form of steam and the liquid becomes sweeter with the increasing sugar content. As sap enters the evaporators, it has about two per cent sugar content but after the boiling process it leaves with 65 per cent sugar content.

It is transferred to heated kettles for final finishing where it is forced through special filters to remove any sediment. It is stored in large metal tanks to be later reheated, refiltered and then packaged hot into cans, bottles, ceramic or plastic containers.

Flapjacks

Work that will eventually bring visions of a small country kitchen with the smell of frying flapjacks cooking in a pan. As they spatter in the grease and tempt the tummy one imagines their fluffiness drenched in delicate and delectable maple syrup.

NIAGARA

EDITORIALS

Easier entrance

A recent item in the Hamilton Spectator said Mohawk College may soften admission requirements to lure more students into its fold.

The move is designed to enable applicants who may not have the normal prerequisites to upgrade themselves and enter their desired course at a later date.

The threat of declining enrolment at community colleges is the paramount reason for such a move. At first glance the idea seems reasonable. It will help people get into college and thus better themselves and at the same time ease skidding enrolment figures.

A good analogy with the proposed move would be the supermarket price war of several years back. The price slashing benefitted consumers in the short term but, because of financial losses incurred during this period, prices ended up being significantly higher in the long run.

Is education to be the same? Could a short-term solution turn into a long-term problem?

College is not meant to be a glorified high school but rather a practical training ground for a wide assortment of specialized courses. Any attempt to lower admission requirements could be a slap in the face to those who have worked hard in making college a credible alternative to university.

The current admission standards are arguably low enough now, if not too low. If Mohawk acts in this way, other colleges, to compete, may follow suit. The end result could be the bastardization of a college diploma.

However, it is hoped that this will not be the case and that more people will get an education to the mutual benefit of the province and themselves.

Brad Hunter

Nuclear threat

The nuclear nightmare is a frightening reality no one is ready to face. In this, the nuclear age, the fear of a holocaust haunts everyone. What will happen if the mushroom cloud rises in the sky and poisons the atmosphere? What is humanity's fate? How will people be affected, if they even survive the initial bombing?

Pretty damn good questions but it's too bad that no one has come up with any plausible answers.

Scientific predictions are all well and good but the survivors of a nuclear war would be forced to live in a world that would be a virtual hell on earth: people trapped in contaminated bodies weakening and waiting for death; being incinerated on the spot or reduced to a shadow on the pavement would be better than suffering radiation poison symptoms.

The nuclear arms race between the super powers is absurd. They fight over who has more missiles, whose are bigger and more powerful while their nations live in fear of the future.

Fighting with guns and armored tanks is passe. They are mere tinker toys when a nuclear bomb can wipe out an entire nation without much effort.

The dark immortality of the atomic bombing at Hiroshima, that killed 78,000 people and injured and contaminated many other innocents, is a constant reminder of the monstrous effects of nuclear weapons. Yet bombs many thousands times the strength of the one dropped on Hiroshima are still being manufactured.

How many casualties will it take and how many more Hiroshimas will there have to be? Will the entire population have to exterminated before the experts stop toying with nuclear weapons? So many questions and no answers, except one. Nuclear war is a dead end.

Tammy Dollar

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They gave their best

For the third consecutive year Niagara College's Ambulance and Emergency Care program won the Corpsuckle Cup for the largest percentage class turnout at the annual blood donor clinic held Jan. 31. Niagara's students donated 275 pints of blood this year with Ambulance and Emergency Care leading the way with 87 per cent attendance at the clinic. From the left taking part in the presentation are: Susan Maracle, external affairs vice-president of the Student Administrative Council which sponsored the clinic; Ian Wylie, student representative of Ambulance and Emergency Care; Gail Hilyer, president of the Welland Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society and Jacqueline Robarts, Niagara College president.

Photo by Derek M. Lacey

Bullpit

We shoot in black and white but our memories are full color

By KEN GOUDSWAARD
Staff Writer

While waiting for sports department to finish pasting up, the last correction is placed with loving care. All that remains is the final cutline for the picture of the class of '85.

A cutline must say so much. The picture worth a thousand words is still short a few in the newspaper business. There will be a lot of pictures remaining in the minds of classmates.

There will be pictures of the Newshawks winning their first regular season game in two years. A team with great explosive power in the dressing room, they never seemed successful in transferring it to the ice.

Some pictures will have cutlines that are unmistakable. The words, "Hi ya doin' ", "That reminds me", and" I guess you can kinda tell" belong to people we won't soon forget.

There will be pictures of occasions, too. The Christmas party, term-end bash, regular Sunday evening discussions, and the New Orleans after paste-up will all be eight by 10s.

SNAPSHOTS

Snapshots of the many instructors who guided us through these past two years will be carried around forever. Eugene Maltais, our most ardent supporter; Barry Sharpe, our sometimes great goaltender, and Judy Ventresca's ever-present smile will remain close to our hearts.

A picture of Gord Lawson, in sharp, critical focus, will hang on our memories' wall. Whether he was building special centring devices or just defending his marks in the Port Hole, he will be remembered as more a friend than just a teacher.

A poster-size picture of the two most important people will never be fully developed; not until we are old and grey will we realize just how much they taught us.

Barbara Blue with her compassionate ear and helping hand is a picture worth framing. She will be missed like a mother and loved like a sister.

A powerful portrait of influence will be that of our mentor — Austin Jelbert. An editor who can never be replaced, Mr. Jelbert will remain the quintessential teacher.

The last picture will be that of the "family", collage of penlights intricately woven together, threads pulled tight, forever meshing our spirits. For those of us who stuck it out, becoming better friends than one could ever imagine, let's hope the light remains on and the pictures never fade.

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Summertime barbecue April 11

Summertime fun will be coming a little early for Niagara College staff and students with a fund-raising barbecue to be held April 11 during double lunch.

Organized by the Welland Hospital committee, it will be the first in a series of activities planned to raise money for Operation Update.

Hamburgers, hot dogs and sausages will be freshly grilled on the barbecue pit to be set up by the Niagara Frontier Caterers outside the cafeteria in the Black Walnut building.

"I'm going to try to arrange cameo appearances by teachers to cook and serve the food," Foster Zanutto, committee chairman, said.

The Welland Hospital will be given a portion of the sales from the reasonably-priced roasted goodies. There will be a limited selection of food available in the cafeteria to encourage students to attend the barbecue.

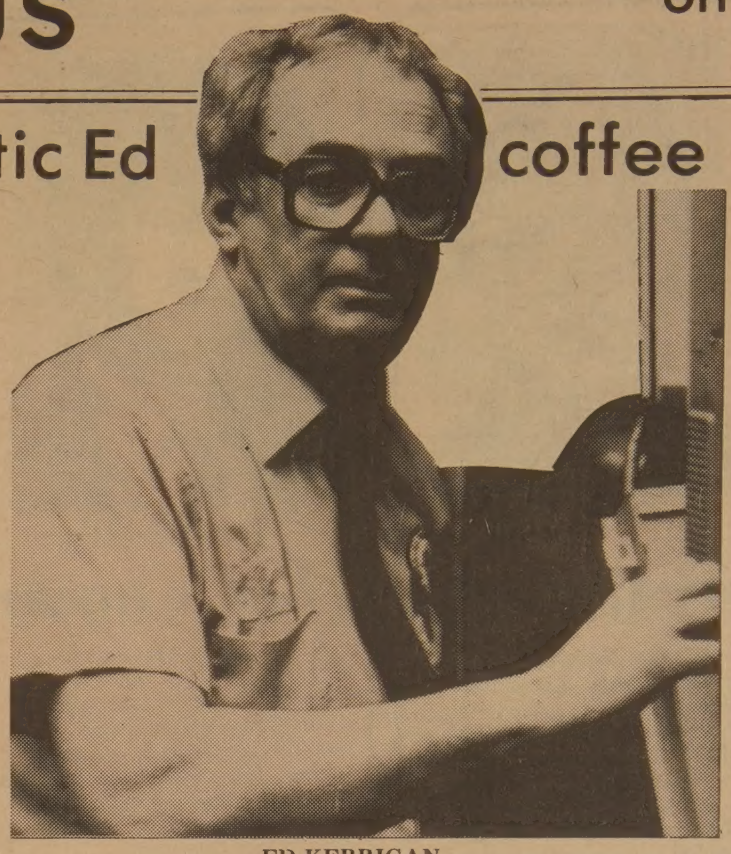
SAC is working on the entertainment package to coincide with the barbecue, Susan Maracle, vice-president external affairs, said. "The type of entertainment is not definite yet, but we are working on it."

Focus on Ed Kerrigan

Charismatic Ed coffee courier

By DEREK M. LACEY
Staff Writer

There are few things around Niagara College that flow as easily as his smile or quick-witted jokes — unless, of course, it's the coffee he serves up, more often than not to bleary-eyed students and instructors who come stumbling in five minutes before classes.



ED KERRIGAN

It has its days

For the past 11 years, seven of them at Niagara College, Ed Kerrigan has worked for Niagara Frontier Caterers, a job he "enjoys a lot. Oh yeah — it has its days."

He especially enjoys his work with the locally owned caterers because "there's nobody leaning over my shoulder. It's the freedom of the job I like."

His wife, Marilyn, a dictatypist at the St. Catharines General Hospital, has served on Niagara College's Health Sciences Advisory Committee for the last four or five years.

They have two children, a son, Larry, 23, and a daughter, Tracey, 22, who will be married in May.

Ed, 49, has lived in St. Catharines all his life. He coached hockey and baseball "until my own kids got out of it."

Ron Allen, 24, of the ambulance and emergency care program at Niagara, has known Ed for "at least nine years." Ed coached Ron when he played for the Cleland Metal Lakers hockey team in 1977. Ron said Ed is "excellent — one hell of a guy. He makes you smile when he cracks a joke — and the coffee's not bad either — it's better than my mom's anyway."

Why vending?

Ed began his career in the vending business 16 years ago when the pulp and paper mill he was working at in Merritton closed its doors. With a crooked little grin, he said, "I was looking for something with a terrific future — so I chose vending."

Ed begins work at 6 or 6:30 a.m. and works until 2:30 or 3 p.m. His duties at the college include emptying cash from Niagara Frontier Caterers many coffee, pop, candy and food machines. He is responsible for cleaning the machines, refilling them and checking inventory. He also "does most repairs" — except for the big ones which go to one of Niagara's mechanics.

He enjoys working for Niagara Frontier Caterers, located on Welland Avenue in St. Catharines, because "it is a local company which employs local people." The company serves high schools, including cafeteria service, and a "good portion" of the peninsula's industry, including Atlas Steel, General Tire, Welland Forge and Union Carbide.

There's only one probem Ed has while working around the college — people not putting the proper amount of change into the machines. "It's not that I think they're trying to gyp me; it's just that sometimes they forget just how much they've put in."

Doesn't argue

He "doesn't argue with them" and takes the money out of his own pocket to repay the student or instructor. He realizes that "once in a while the machines do goof up" and is always happy to help anyone who is having problems with a machine.

Ed's enjoyment of his job bubbles over to those he comes into contact with during his travels through the college. He can be bitter at times — as bitter as week-old coffee — but he prefers the cream and sugar approach and it truly rubs off on others. As one student said after receiving a hot coffee and rather syrupy smile, "Have a good life, Ed" — his cup runneth over.

Place second

Third year marketing students placed a strong second in the Ontario Colleges Marketing Competition (OCMC) held March 21 in Sarnia.

Fourteen Niagara students participated in the various competitive events edging out Mohawk and Lambton who played host to the competition.

Second place awards were given to the Marketing Quiz Bowl team, represented by Audrey Barr, Scott Doan, Joyce Stark and Jennifer Windsor; the marketing problem-solving team of Jenifer Swiercz and Gord Kwade; the executive job interview by Tony DellaVentura; and the management decision-making, human relations division, Angela Girrotti and Scott Horne.

Car deals at auction

By DOUG GRAHAM
Staff Writer

Buying a used car can be a hassle. Finding a car salesman who can be trusted and a car cheap enough is a feat in itself. So why not be the salesman and avoid all the hassles?

That's exactly what the St. Catharines Auto Auction does for its customers. Every Saturday, from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., cars are bought and sold by people looking for that ever-elusive good deal. And most find it.

Danny Poliquin, 19, who was a Niagara student last year, runs the 117 Hartzell Rd. auction with his father, Gaston. "We get cars in here that are in very good shape and they go cheap to people looking for a good deal, which is sometimes hard to find through a private owner," he said.

The auction held its first sale on Jan. 12 and since then business has been improving. "Maybe it's the warmer weather, but more people have been coming to the sale. The chances of selling or buying are very good."

The cost of buying a vehicle is $25 with a $200 down payment. For a seller, it is $25 with an extra $55 if the car sells. "The $80 fee for selling is cheap considering the hassle you save going through us rather than face to face with a seller," Danny said.

The St. Catharines Auto Auction is the only one of its kind in the city so buyers and sellers can be virtually certain of finding what they are interested in. "Big or small, and any color, we've got it," he said.

He said the auction is a good place for students from Niagara or Brock who are on limited budgets. "The variety is wide and the prices low — no salesman can offer some of the deals we get through here.'

"We strive to give our customers the best service we can because we plan to be in this business a lifetime," he said.

Letters to the Editor

Challenge to address real issues

Dear Editor:

Posters abound, slogans mount, strategies surface but the theme remains the same — pubs, posters and personalities. The main issues will never be effectively addressed, such as the $100,000 trust fund, the constitution, a full-time social convener, satellite campuses and the problems of a commuting student population. The main reason is time and power.

For anyone beyond the first term with a good attitude, the first needs no explanation. The second is apparent with the effective deep freeze placed on SAC during the CORP(Council of Regents)-OPSEU confrontation and the back-burner approach to the future of our trust fund. The most recent confirmation of the power problem is the flat refusal of a full-time social convener to meet the needs of all students.

Administration has seen fit to keep Niagara College well contained in its infancy by conveniently using past indiscretions by former councils. The method has been stifling versus guiding and offers little as a learning experience for progressive councils.

It is time for the administration to recognize that college students are young adults. Guide them, do not dominate them. Give back their right to govern and act like a united body.

I challenge the leaders in the present council race and the student body as a whole to get back what is ours — the constitution and control of our activity fees.

Robert Embury
Third-year
Business Administration-Finance

Editor's note:
The college administration did not flatly refuse a full-time social convener, but insisted that the student body be consulted in a referendum before such a decision was made.

Reader commends paper

Dear Editor:

I would like to commend the staff of the Niagara News for the work they have done these past two terms. Most of the students at Niagara probably cannot appreciate the effort that is put into getting the Niagara News out each week.

During the past year I've come to know more about journalism than I'd care to repeat. This is unusual because I am not actually registered in the program — though I have lived with four journalism students, which is the next best thing. Now I'm even considering buying a camera.

Over the year I have watched the second-year journalism class go through bad and good times, the parties and the deadlines, all of which I believed has helped them to grow from just students to competent journalists.

I hope the first-year students, who will be putting out the Niagara News for the last month of school while the second years are on placement, can keep up the spirit of dedication that I have witnessed with the second year class.

In conclusion, I would like to wish all the members of the Niagara News staff all the best in the future and thank them for a most interesting and entertaining year.

Lisa Hartviksen
1st year computer programmer

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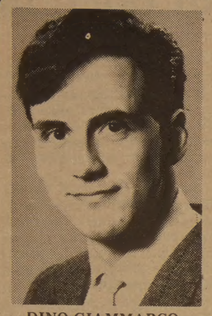

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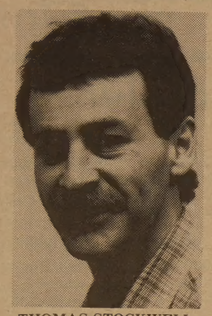


THOMAS STOCKWELL

JOHN TURNER

Three vying for SAC presidency

A more efficient and effective communication system between the main campus and satellite campuses, such as closed-circuit information monitors, is one of the proposals **Dino Giammarco** would like to see if he is elected president.

Dino, 20, a Niagara Falls resident, said his role as president would be to "lead and motivate other SAC executives, in doing everything in their power" to represent students.

A second-year business administration financial-management student, Dino has been a curriculum representative for the past *two years, is an executive* member of Niagara College's Frenchship Club and is an assistant to the marketing executive of Niagara Affordable Management Services.

Although Dino, a member of the Triple E Party, is employed part-time, he said he would "reprioritze" his time to make SAC his main priority because he's "willing to do things for students."

Running as an independent presidential candidate, **Thomas Stockwell**, 34, a second-year journalism student, is stressing communication and the interworkings of all students with his Hi ya doin' campaign.

"Through my journalism studies, I know how to communicate with students," the St. Catharines resident said. "I'll make sure the satellite campuses are not neglected."

While working as a curator in a British Columbia museum, Thomas has had dealings with provincial ministers of natural resources, lands, parks and housing, and a federal *transportation minister.*

Thomas plans more variation of location and nights of pubs, a listing of all events and clubs to be included in next year's orientation package and monthly meetings with satellites and class reps.

He would like to see more college involvement in the community, and a higher profile for Niagara in the peninsula and the province.

Running for re-election as president this year is **John Turner**, 23, a second-year marketing student and MASH Party candidate.

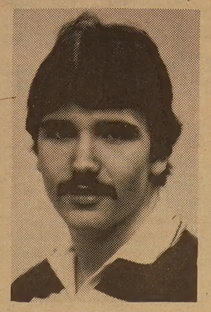
"After a year's experience, I know what's involved," John said. "When a change is needed, I understand the bureaucratic process. Sometimes SAC has to take no for an answer. I am willing to compromise with them."

The Welland resident would like to see more activities during the day when students are at school, like the trivial pursuit contest. He would consider continuing the mini-pubs if there is enough student interest.

"John will find out exactly what the students want by having more student surveys next year and encouraging more input and stressing communication.

"I would try to provide incentives for students to get them to work with SAC members to help in conducting activities," John said. "I feel this would help to improve the communication problems we've been having."

ANGELA BRIGANTE



WAYNE WILLIS

Let's communicate!

A weekly newsletter, intramural events between satellité campuses and the main campus and transportation to extra-curricular events are just a few of the proposals **Angela Brigante** would like to see implemented if she is elected vice-president.

Angela, 19, a second-year marketing student, wants to be the "link between the main campus and satellite campuses."

As a Thorold resident, she said she has been on social and commencement committees and worked on the school year book while she was a student at Thorold High School.

Wayne Willis, 20, a second-year data processing student and MASH Party candidate, will strive for more club coordination, better communication with satellite campuses and more fund-raisers if elected vice-president.

"SAC isn't just here for pubs; we're here to listen to students' complaints and help them," the Hamilton resident said. "SAC does have a voice in administration."

Wayne's past political experience includes his post as class rep this year as well as being vice-president of Junior Achievement in 1982. He also ran for vice-president of SAC last year.

Full-time activities controller?

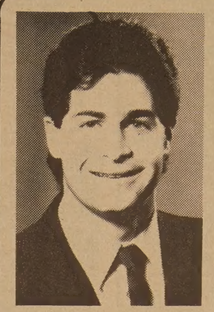
The Student Administrative Council will hold a referendum on the SAC election ballot April 9 to let the student body determine whether a full-time activities programmer should be hired.

"If the student body wants a full-time programmer and its associated rise in activity fees, then okay," Dr. Nora McCardell, education and student services director, said. "We will work with the incoming SAC to accommodate the request."

The main benefit of having an activities programmer is that many more small events to appeal to the varied interests of all types of students could be scheduled throughout the school year, Susan Maracle, vice-president of external affairs, said.

Susan said the results of a SAC survey, which is designed to get a general idea of whether the students would be willing to pay for an activities programmer, "looks promising" and will be released next week.

Susan also remined students that they must present a student card before they vote and the ballot must be marked as designated or it will not be counted.



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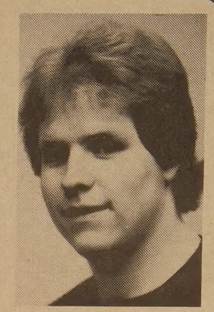


KEN WINER

Students' inside link

Because the college's bulletin boards have "outlasted their use," **Jim Mucciarone**, a member of the Triple E Party, would like to have information on closed-circuit monitors if he is elected vice-president of internal affairs.

Jim, 21, said he would like messages from the college administration and class cancellations to be broadcast on the monitors, which would be located at 14 strategic points throughout satellites and the main campus.

Jim said he saw the information system work while he was a student at Centennial College and there was no vandalism.

The second-year marketing student from Niagara Falls said he would also conduct a monthly survey throughout the college to gain feedback from students.

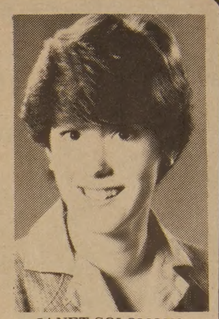
Ken Winer, a second-year data processing management student, wants more open communication between SAC and students. He proposes keeping complaints filed by students, and curriculum committee reports on file in the SAC office if elected vice-president of internal affairs.

"There should be open avenues of communication between SAC and students regarding curriculum or personality conflicts with teachers," he said.

Ken is involved in the peer tutoring program, has been a curriculum committee representative for the past two years and was past president of the Puslinch 4-H Calf Club in his hometown, Guelph.

"I have a lot of connections and good relationships with teachers," the MASH Party member said.

SANDY KAMPHUIS



JANET SOLOMONS

To improve image

Sandy Kamphuis, 18, a first-year business administration student, would like to see more interaction between the college and the community by way of volunteer programs if elected vice-president of external affairs.

'I'd like to initiate as many volunteer programs as possible, not only in Welland, but in St. Catharines and Niagara Falls too."

The St.Catharines resident and MASH Party member has done volunteer work for Family and Children's Services and said students should try it as it is good experience and looks good on a resume.

Improving the image of Niagara in and outside the community using newspapers to show the community who the college's achievers are and having pubs with Brock University are some of the proposals **Janet Solomons** would like to see implemented if she is elected vice-president of external affairs.

Janet, a second-year marketing student, said she was "sick and tired of people from outside the peninsula not knowing where the college is" and "people from the community putting the college down as a joke."

The 19-year-old Fonthill *resident said she helped create a day camp for children* in the community.

Elvis sinks college trivia squad

A combination of bad luck and a well-trained Humber team kept Niagara College out of the money in the Ontario College Trivial Pursuit Championship, Jon Fast, SAC vice-president of finance, said.

Representing the college, team captain Bill Lefebvre, Dave Gibson, Mike Simoneau, Dan Losier and Todd Deguire finished fourth in a field of 11 teams. The competition was held at St. Clair College in Windsor March 22 and 23.

The top three teams, Humber, Conestoga and George Brown, received cheques of $4,000, $2,000 and $1,000, respectively.

Niagara lost its game against Humber but everybody was impressed by Niagara's performance, Jon said. He said they answered more correct answers than Humber had, but were not as lucky to land on questions worth a pie.

Humber was getting "basically easy" questions, Jon said, and had five pieces of pie in their dish before Niagara's team had one.

The Niagara team answered 14 questions in a row and began a comeback. The crowd began to sense the comeback and "wanted Niagara to win."

Humber won their sixth piece of pie and needed one correct answer to win the qualifying round. They answered a stage and screen question incorrectly and the door was open for Niagara.

When Niagara won their sixth piece of pie, they entered the centre circle and had a chance to wrap up the game. Their question: What was Elvis Presley's first film? Their answer: Jailhouse Rock. The correct answer was Love Me Tender. And that made it Humber's chance to win.

Humber's round-winning question was much like their other questions, easy. What was Steve Martin's first major film? Answer, The Jerk. With that answer, Humber defeated the Niagara squad and advanced into the championship round against George Brown and Conestoga.

CDA appoints Jackie

Niagara College president Jacqueline Robarts says her recent appointment to the Canadian Dental Association Council on Education and Accreditation will be "good for the college." The appointment was approved by the CDA board of governors March 9 in Ottawa.

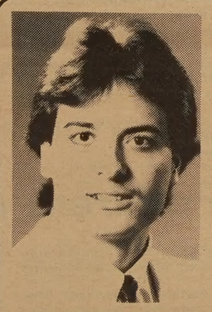
Miss Robarts said the appointment is "kind of important because we do have a dental program at the college. It's sort of a nice thing to happen."

It's an opportunity to "be a voice for all Ontario colleges that have dental programs." She is the first person from the community colleges to have the opportunity to sit on the council.

A letter from the CDA said Miss Robarts' membership on the council "will bring a community college perspective into the decision-making process for accreditation of dental and dental auxiliary education programs in Canada."

Dr. Ken Bentley, chairman of the Council on Education and Accreditation, extended an invitation for Miss Robarts to sit on the council's committee on auxiliary education. The committee advises on policy related to the accreditation process for auxiliary programs and reviews accreditation survey reports prior to their submission to the council.

Miss Robarts said she "is very pleased to have been asked" to sit on the council, and said she hopes it will have a "positive effect" for Niagara.



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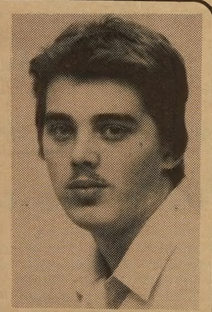

RON VAHRMEYER

Students' pub tastes number one priority

Saving on pub expenses when hiring bands to play the college by the "block booking" method is a recommendation of **Luciano Innocentin**, of the Triple E Party, a candidate for social convener.

By finding out when a band will be in the area ahead of time, Luciano said he could deal with the agent and save on expenses because less travelling for the group would be involved.

Luciano, 19, said he would also look into booking bands for weekend gigs for the college.

Luciano, a business-administration financial-management student from Thorold, said he was social convener for his high school for two years and is president of the Columbian Youth Club.

Ron Vahrmeyer, a MASH Party candidate, proposes to give the students what they want if elected social convener. "If people want bigger name bands, we'll get them. I want to make sure there's more participation by bringing in comedians and having more tournaments like euchre, chess and trivial pursuit."

A second-year marketing management student, Ron, 19, of Welland, said his program and his own landscaping business have given him a lot of experience in promotion which is needed for the job of social convener. Ron was his class rep this year.

"I want to keep close contact with other colleges to see what is successful there," Ron said.

Election April 9

Voting in this year's Student Administrative Council elections will be held Tuesday, April 9, on all satellite campuses and the main campus. An advance poll will be held for Mack Nursing Students today.

Though two parties are running, all those running can be voted for indiviually, Dr. Nora McCardell, executive director of education and student services, said.

Polling stations at the satellites will be set up from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the main student lounges.

Two stations will be set up in the main campus from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., one in the cafeteria and the other in Tecumseh Foyer.

Students in the following programs are to vote in the cafeteria; early childhood education, chemical engineering technician, chemical engineering technology, mechanical engineering technology, bilingual secretary, secretarial arts, secretarial studies, ambulance and emergency care, dictatypist — health records, health records technician and health sciences preparatory option.

All others will vote in Tecumseh Foyer.

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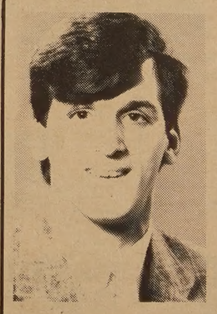

JOHN INGRIBELLI

TONY FISCHER

Stress sports equality

More competitive sports for women and better communication of upcoming athletic events are two of the proposals **John Ingribelli**, a candidate with the Triple E Party, would like to have implemented if elected vice-president of athletics.

John, 23, a first-year sales and merchandising student during the day and a second-year personnel management student at night, has been on the college's basketball team for two years and participates in intramural sports.

John, a resident of Niagara Falls, said he was vice-president of athletics while in high school.

A second- year electronics engineering student, **Tony Fischer**, 20, would like to offer more trip packages and more coverage of intramural sports if elected vice-president of athletics.

"I would like to offer and upgrade all sports programs in any fashion I see fit," Tony, a Welland resident and MASH Party member, said. "Basically, it's all you can do."

His past experience includes the presidency and program chairmanship of International Apple Users Group in St. Catharines as well as playing competitive sports and participating in intramurals such as hockey.

JOANNE LANE

TONY ZANGARI

Variety of proposals for SAC trust fund

Joanne Lane, a second-year marketing student, plans to let the students know how their money is being spent if elected vice-president of finance.

A member of the MASH Party, she will "provide monthly statements on money being spent, and will work with other SAC members in using the trust fund" for students.

Joanne, a Fonthill resident, has experience in bookkeeping and payroll as she helps her mother with a small business at home. She worked in England for four months as part of the SWAP program, taking care of payroll for 350 employees.

A more efficient SAC budget and a redistribution of club funds are two proposals **Tony Zangari**, a candidate with the Triple E party, would like to have implemented if elected vice-president of finance.

Tony, a business administration financial mannagement student, said he plans to be an accountant after he graduates.

The 20-year-old Thorold resident is employed as a part-time assistant manager at a family restaurant where he supervises employees and audits tills.

Tony said he would consider leaving the position to devote more time to SAC if elected.

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New play recounts old horror

By SANDRA LOCKHART
Staff Writer

Every day for 20 years she was asked by her older sister, "Did you Lizzie, Lizzie did you?" about the horrible axe murders of her stepmother and father.

For the millionth time Lizzie's actress friend, played by Marcia Kash, asked the question. "If you didn't, I should be disappointed and if you did, I should be horrified. Paint the background again for me Lizzie," the Actress begged.

Lizzie replied, "You are the actress and you shall play me."

The Actress gladly takes on the adventure of reliving the scene that occurred 20 years earlier in the same house.

Lizzie Borden

The story of Lizzie Borden has been around since the murder of her parents in 1892 but Press Theatre takes a new and fascinating look at the tale. Sharon Pollock's Blood Relations opened on March 22 at the Playhouse at Brock in St.Catharines.

The play makes excellent use of lighting, adding a spooky effect to the stage. The transformation from the Actress to "Lizzie" and from "Lizzie" to "Bridget" is well done, carried both by the use of lighting and strong acting on the parts of Miss Kash and Moira Wylie.

Grisly murders

The play does more than other Borden stories that just act out the grisly murders. Blood Relations introduces and examines the people in Lizzie's life. The play tries to discover why a person commits a murder.

Bridget, Lizzie's only real friend, told Lizzie to be more like the cook when her feelings were hurt by people. "She'd spit in the soup and smile when everyone drank it," Bridget said.

The costuming effectively amplified the characters' personalities. From the high lace collared red and black dress for the Actress to the knickers for foolish Dr. Patrick, the costumes were ideal.

Not forgotten

Both Abigail, Lizzie's stepmother, played Jenny Turner, and Emma, Lizzie's sister, played by Judith Goodwin, carried their characters strongly.

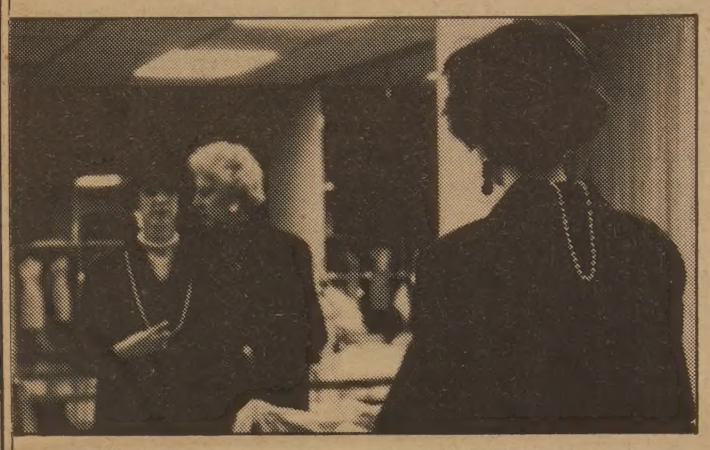
Jack Northmore, appeared to be just going through the motions of playing the character of the father.

The defence counsel at Lizzie's trial gives the audience something to think about. "Do you believe Lizzie Borden capable of these acts?" he asked. "Look to your daughters. Which of us can lie in bed at night, hear a rustle on the stairs, or the creak of a door — then plump your pillow and go to sleep."

The play will not be quickly forgotten. It will probably evoke nightmares and far too serious thought — and make you wonder about your daughter.

SPOTLIGHT on

Instructor Maura Hamill helps student in design.



Finding the right accessories to complement the outfit.

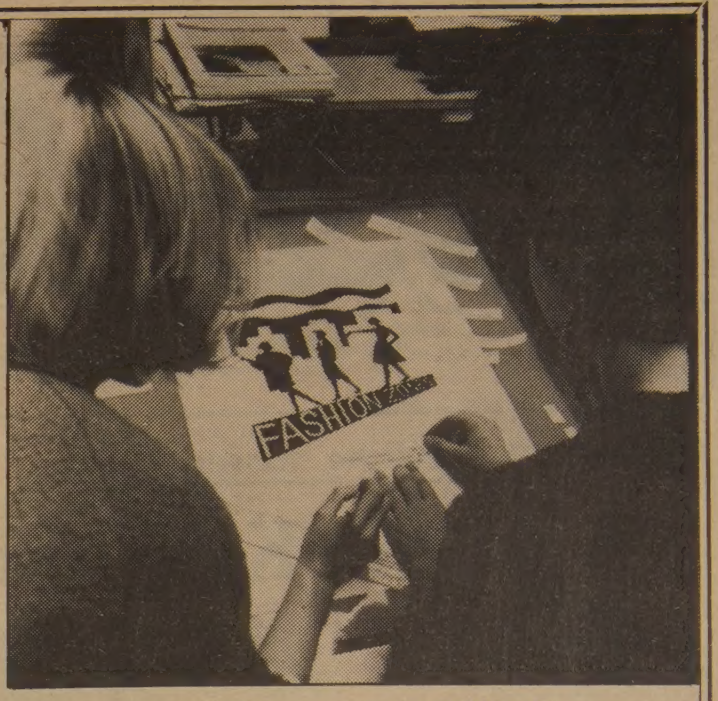
Everything from head to toe.

Fashion Arts

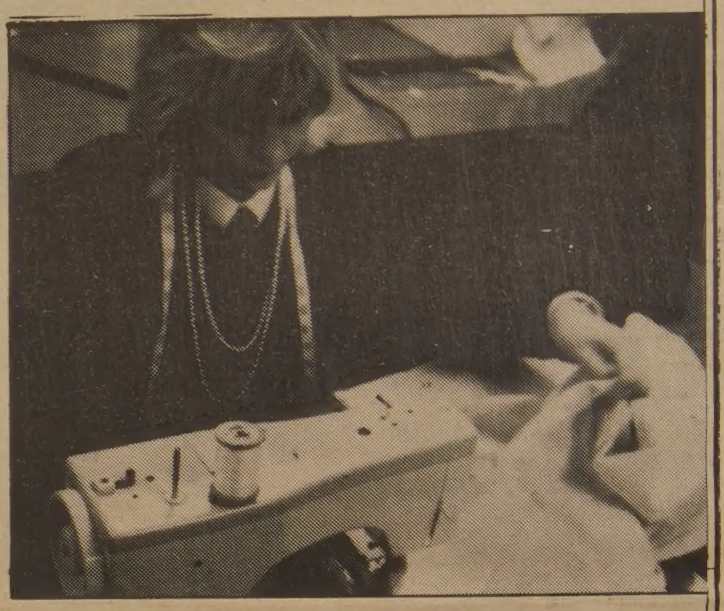
Graduates of the fashion arts program must be prepared to work in the wide field of the fashion industry. The program is designed around four main areas: history and current trends, fashion advertising and promotion, fashion design and construction and fashion merchandising.

In addition to participating in the courses in the program, students are expected to take part in several periods of supervised applied study each term.

In a culmination of their two years of studies, a fashion show is put on by the students who design and model their clothes. For more details on the show see page 3.



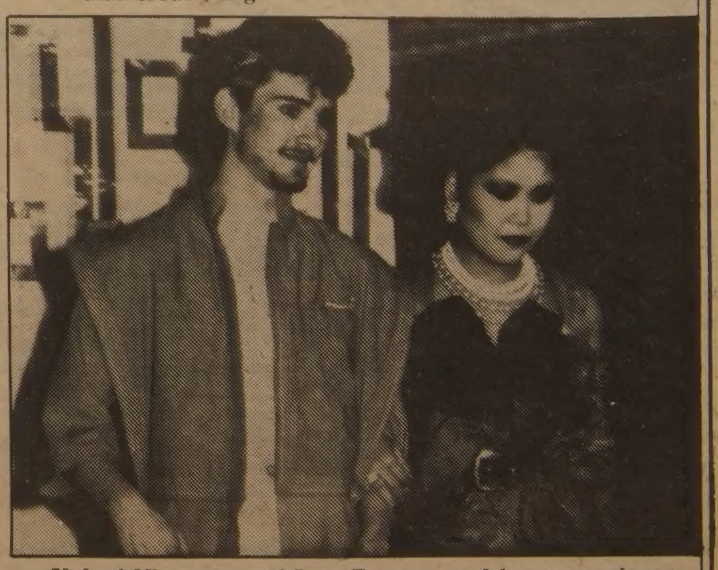
Students lay out poster for fashion show.



Students must sew own designs.

Glamorous designs modelled at fashion show.

The culmination of two years' hard work in fashion design.



Yukari Ninagawa and Ivan Duguay model own creations.

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Basketballer will be missed

Veteran Knight reflects on four good years

By JOHN PERKINS
Staff Writer

Lumbering down the floor, he is seemingly unaffected by the hysteria around him. Then, in a cat-like motion he pounces, steals the ball, and lunges for the hoop, scoring another two points for the Knights.

Such is the casual court-style of Don Campbell.

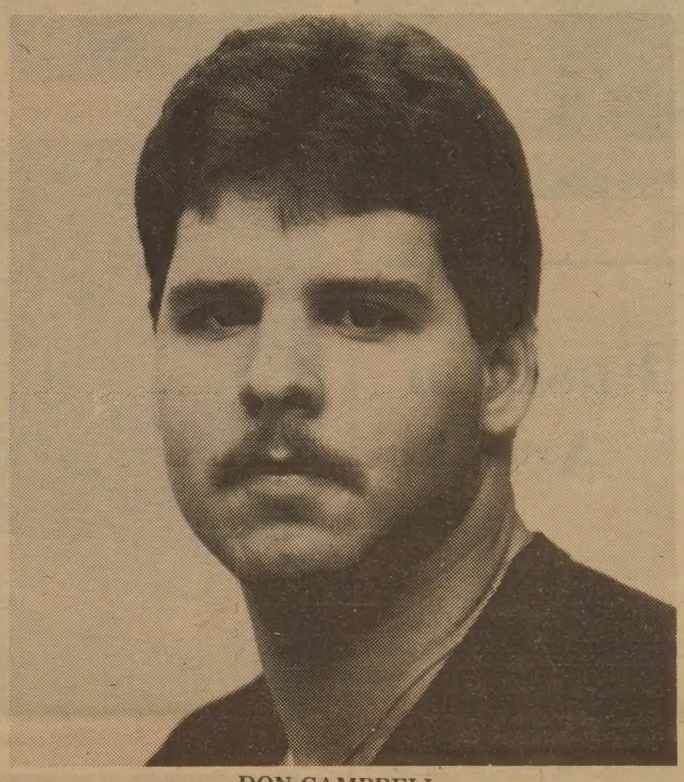
"I don't really get psyched," the four-year Knights veteran said. "But I think about the game."

Don, who just turned 22, has played his last basketball game for the Niagara Knights. Anyone who even casually follows the Knights recognizes that he will be sorely missed.

Beginning next season, the Ontario College Athletic Association will limit players to a maximum of four years — the length of Don's tenure.

Not only will the high-scoring centre will be missed on the basketball floor, his off-court qualities will leave a gaping hole as well.

"He loosens everyone up. We get a good laugh when he's around," teammate John Mataya said.



DON CAMPBELL

NOT UNNOTICED

Don's dedication did not go unnoticed either. The six foot five Knight devotee insists it was sheer coincidence that he quit school the day after the Knights lost a heartbreaker to Fanshawe in the first round of the playoffs. He said he could have been done with school in January.

"He showed he was dedicated because he came back," John said.

That loss to Fanshawe was the most disappointing game in his stay at Niagara, Don said.

"After being here four years, I thought this was the year we could go to the OCAA tourney."

He thought the Knights "should have taken a few more time outs, but I'm not blaming the coach." Nor did he blame his fellow Knights. "Everyone played well, no one quit. With a few breaks from the officials we could have turned it around."

As for the next season, Don hopes to be playing with a senior-intermediate team or "some league."

Basketball has always played an integral role in his life. The Niagara Falls native was a member of A.N. Myer's basketball team for the four years he attended. His high school team captured Midget and Junior SOSSA championships.

His most memorable game at Niagara occurred during his rookie campaign when "we beat number-one ranked Fanshawe at home."

The Knights were chosen OCAA team of the week. "We beat them by one point — it was the first game where we played well," the veteran reflected.

COME AND GO

Over the years Don has seen many players come and go. He said Mark Ford, Paul Weller and John Mataya top his list of effective Knight performers. "Mataya improved a lot," he said.

On this season past, he said defeating St. Clair at home for the first time in four years gave him a thrill. Knocking off Fanshawe by 10 points during the regular season ranks a close second.

In terms of personal achievement, Don said the game against St. Clair was his best. His 31 points against Conestoga were not a discredit to his service either.

After a good game Don said he likes to unwind with a few drinks. "If we win we celebrate with a few, if we lose we tell ourselves we had a good game, but still have a few drinks.

CAMARADERIE

The camaraderie of the 1984-85 Knights will always be remembered by Don. "For the whole year the team was great people-wise; everyone got along.

He said of his mentor, coach Paul Deeton: "A good coach, a strict coach and very disciplined. He knew his basketball but sometimes had trouble putting it across."

Don's scholastic career at Niagara began with one year of surveying. For the last 2½ years Don has attuned his efforts toward the general college program. He said he hopes to gear his acquired talents to land a job with the Ontario Provincial Police.

Don came back for part of this year's second term, but quit in March to find a job. "I came back after January to play ball. I didn't want to let the team down."

Although not winners of the OCAA championship which was held at Niagara, The 1984-85 Niagara Knights women's basketball team played like winners and held their heads high all year.

Photo by Thomas Stockwell

Lady Knights close in 84/85

Although finishing the regular season with a 4-10 record, the women's basketball team came within a few points of entering the OCAA tournament to which Niagara played host.

A 59-49 loss to George Brown Huskies on Feb. 27 ended the season for the Knights.

A high point of the season was the selection of Rose DiMarco as a Tier I league all-star and the play of Rose and Cheryl Anderson.

Some of the low points, besides not being in the OCAA tournament, were the loss of Nancy Mather due to her heavy nursing schedule, and injuries which kept Donna Czainski and Patti Stocco out for a month each.

On Dec. 7, Coach Mizette Critelli's birthday, a last-second basket by Saskia Vriend won the game for George Brown, and also stopped the Knights from attaining a .500 record of 4-4.

The team loses Rose DiMarco, Cheryl Anderson, Linda Doucet, and Gail Graveline, but have six players returning for next year. They are Donna Czainski, Patti Stocco, Mary Gaudet, Tara Collins, Dayna Murchison and Lori Hotson.

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SPORTS

Competition tight as playoffs approach

Smythe Division champs ...

The Smythe division contains three of the top four teams in the entire NHL. Though Edmonton overshadows them, Winnipeg Jets and Calgary Flames are not to be taken lightly.

Look for the Oilers to take the Los Angeles Kings three straight in the first round. But don't be surprised if Marcel Dionne and Co. take one for respect's sake.

Edmonton's offence is simply the best, even if their defence is a little shallow, they can put more pucks in the other team's net than their own.

In what could be the playoff series of the year, the Jets take on the Flames.

Dale Hawerchuk and Paul Maclean are two offensive threats Calgary should have trouble handling. Though the Flames' defence is far superior to Winnipeg's, the Jet offence will carry the team to the divisional finals.

Winnipeg and Edmonton for the Smythe title—a classic geographical matchup if there ever was one. Edmonton will win, but not without some trouble first. The series could go six games.

If Gretzky and Jari Kurri were to break their respective legs, then Winnipeg would have a chance. Unless Winnipeg plays perfect defence, the Oilers will come out on top.

Norris Division champs ...

The Norris division has been called weak. But don't expect the playoffs to mirror this image.

The Chicago Black Hawks will take on Detroit in a series that could easily go either way, but, considering the Hawks' rejuvenation since tyrant coach Orval Tessier left, they will win in five.

The 250-point-plus line of Denis Savard, Curt Fraser and Steve Larmer should have little trouble handling a barely decent Red Wing defence. But whether Chciago's other two lines can do the same remains to be seen. Wings' John Ogrodnick and Steve Yzerman are two solid performers

The other series features St. Louis Blues and Minnesota North Stars. The Blues will win in three straight over an extremely inept North Star team.

The final will have the Black Hawks taking on the Blues — two teams that don't exactly love each other's company.

Defensively, the edge goes to Chicago. Led by Norris Trophy candidate Doug Wilson and Bob Murray in front of a steady Murray Bannerman, they can handle their own. Bernie Federko is St. Louis' big gun compared with Savard. These two guys could easily decide the outcome. Look for Black Hawks to squeak by St. Louis in seven.

Patrick Division champs ...

The Patrick division holds more talent than any other division in the NHL. With a defence like Washington's and an offence like Philadelphia's, the Stanley Cup champs could easily come from the Patrick.

The Flyers offence is too strong for an average team like the New York Rangers to handle. Illka Sinisalo and Brian Propp will have little trouble penetrating a defence led by Barry Beck.

The other round features New York Islanders and Washington Capitals. The Caps should take it in four over a less than great Islander team.

Rod Langway and Co. could easily win the Stanley Cup. The league's best defence,though not number wise, will have very little trouble handling an offence that is slowly aging. Mike Bossy and Brian Trottier are great. The rest of the team isn't.

The finals will be a great series. A Capital defence against a high flying flyer offence. But since Philly's offensive output is slightly better than Washington's they will win in six.

All-star goalie Pelle Lindbergh is at the top of his game this year and teamed with defenceman Brad Marsh and Mark Howe the Capitals' bright lights Mike Gartner and Bobby Carpenter could be in trouble.

Adams Division champs ...

The Adams division won't be decided until the last week of the schedule and the playoffs could prove to be just as equally exciting.

The Montreal Canadiens will probably meet the Boston Bruins in the first round.

Chris Chelios and Steve Penney should have no trouble handling a Bruin offence void of their best player — centre Barry Pederson. And with goalie Pete Peeters having another sub-par year, the Bruins can start booking those Florida tours now.

The other series will likely feature the Buffalo Sabres take on Quebec Nordiques. Quebec will win in five games. With Jerry Korab and Jim Schoenfeld on defence, the Sabres defensive corps are highly overrated.

Sabres' Dave Andrychuk should be back in time for the playoffs after suffering a broken collarbone. The only force Quebec will have trouble with is veteran Gil Perreault. He deserves a Stanley Cup ring.

The Battle of Quebec. Penney was the dominant force last year and fights were more common than Toronto losses. This year won't be any different.

Les Habs are having a good year with a solid defence and a very capable offence. Les Habs in six.

Edmonton Oilers **vs.** **Chicago Black Hawks**

A mismatch if there ever was one. Edmonton against Chicago for the Campbell Conference title. Good luck, Black Hawks, you'll need it.

Chicago lacks the overall depth to handle the likes of a Gretzky and Kurri. Coach Glen Sather has got the best team in NHL history with an offence nobody can handle and a defence that, though overrated, can handle themselves. Edmonton in five.

Philadelphia Flyers **vs.** **Montreal Canadiens**

The Flyers and the Canadiens fighting for the Wales Conference title. Can the Canadiens really handle an offence as potent as Philly's? Probably not.

Coach Mike Keenan has got the Flyers at the peak of their game and they are the only team that has any chance whatsoever of dethroning the Oilers for the Cup. They know it and so do the Canadiens. Philadelphia in five.

Coach on champions

Mizette Critelli, athletic assistant and coach of the Niagara women's basketball team, was a member of a peninsula team which won the Canadian senior women's basketball championship.

The team, the Peninsula Pioneers, won the Canadian Amateur Basketball Association senior women's championship in Winnipeg the weekend of March 21, 22 and 23.

The Pioneers — made up of players from St. Catharines, Hamilton and Burlington — defeated British Columbia by two points in the championship game which went into overtime.

It was the first time in 12 years that Ontario has won the gold medal, and the victory was matched by the men's team which also netted gold.

"There is an intrinsic value in winning an amateur sport — no money and little recognition, but a great self-satisfaction," Miss Critelli said.

EARNED BERTH

The tournament, split into two divisions, saw the Peninsula Pioneers defeat Manitoba by 10 and last year's Canadian champs, Alberta, by three points, and Nova Scotia by 18 to earn a berth in the championship game.

Two members of the Peninsula Pioneers were standouts in the tournament. Mizette's sister, Chris, head coach of Brock's women's team, was named most valuable player and Candy Lohr was named to the tournament all-star team.

Both former members of the Canadian women's national team, Chris and Candy were lined up against former teammates from the national team.

"It was good basketball," Miss Critelli said. "There were three members of the national team on Manitoba, two on B.C. and one on Alberta."

The gold medal was a fitting conclusion for Miss Critelli who organized the OCAA Tier 1 women's basketball championship held at Niagara in addition to coaching the women's basketball team.

"Winning the gold was a nice touch to end the season," she said.

Oilers unbeatable in final

Playoff preview

Last year's Stanley Cup final signified the beginning of an Edmonton Oiler dynasty. This year's final will continue that dynasty.

This series features the Oilers and the Philadelphia Flyers — clearly the cream of the crop. Two teams with highly explosive offences.

Offensively, the edge goes to Edmonton, but not by much. Gretzky is the catalyst and Kurri, Glenn Anderson, Coffey and Mark Messier are very quick in front of the net.

Defensively, the Flyers have the edge. Mark Howe and Brad Marsh are more than adequate in front of their net. And they hit hard, a quality lacking in many teams.

But come this May, Gretzky will again be holding Lord Stanley's coveted cup. Are the Oilers starting a dynasty, a la Islanders? Probably.

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Canadian champs

played up to our potential until the finals. Our experience brought us through. I knew our consistent play was back against B.C., we were confident then."

The pair made it to the medal round last year but finished out of the medals, in fourth place.

Mark said he owes this year's success to an abundance of hard work. "We worked hard, had lots of court time plus a year's experience."

"Last year we worked one week before the tournament," Tom said.

In their losing effort to British Columbia in the second game of the medal finals, Mark said they lost their concentration on a controversial call.

The "call" involved the birdie landing outside the foul line. The line judge missed it because she was looking the other way. The point had to be played over again, and Niagara lost it. "Something like that bugs you," Mark said.

To qualify in the finals Mark and Tom had to beat Alberta. They agreed the competition was "strong."

LOOK AHEAD

They are already looking ahead to next year. "We will repeat next year if we work hard, which we are willing to do."

Mr. Carpenter called the victory "the epitome of satisfaction." He said preparation was the key to their success. "They were the best prepared in Ontario."

Explaining his not being surprised, he said it was because he noticed their progress all along. It has been "a snowball effect" since Christmas, and they were at their peak at the right time.

He hopes badminton will attain major sport status next year. Like Niagara's other teams, funding has been a problem for his team, he said.

"We are Niagara's most winning team two years in a row. We need major funding. Niagara wouldn't send any other team without uniforms, would they?"

Mark and Tom said the tournament was the best they have ever been to. "The funnest we've been to," Mark said.

Tom said "It would have been the best even if we didn't win."

Mark, 21, who studies computer programming and Tom, 21, in computer electronics, both have one year of college left. "We're thinking of next year already," Tom said.

They hope to hold a week-long training camp in the summer at Niagara College.

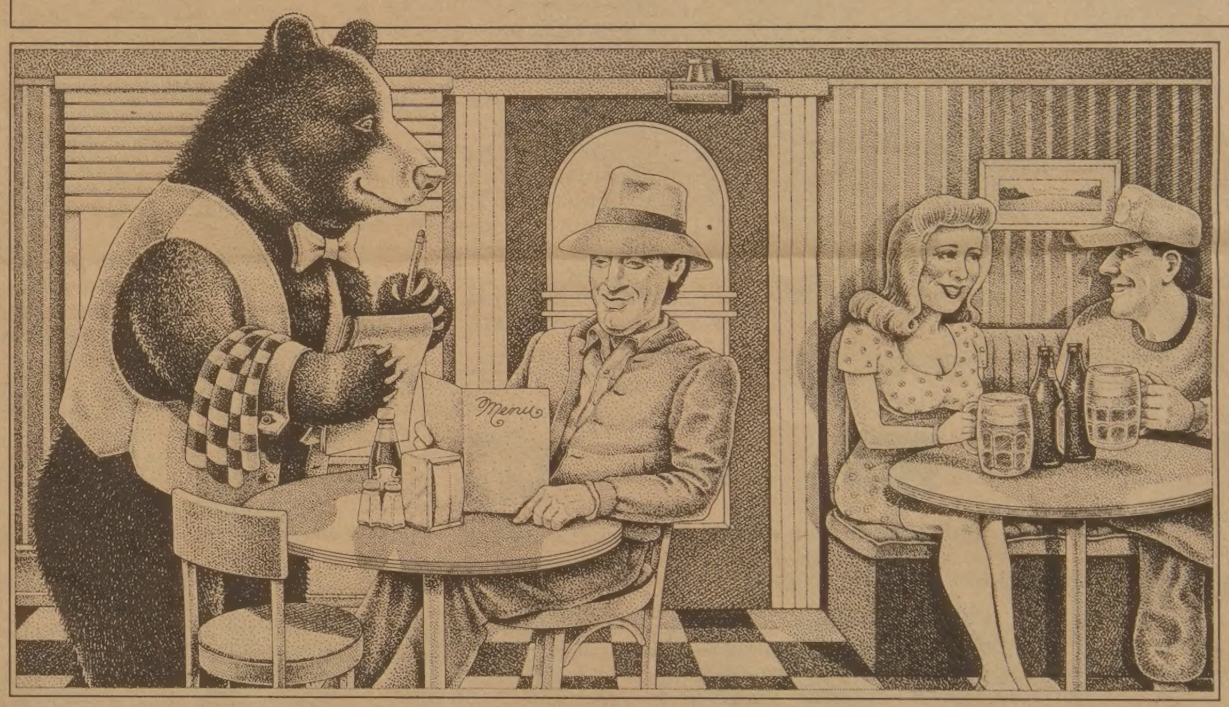
The Canadian Collegiate Athletic Association Champions said they "wish to thank Niagara College and coach Dave Carpenter."

GRIZZLY

No. 1 in a roaring good series.

ENCOUNTERS

(The day Guy Mann ordered the toast.)



I was sittin' in this roadside joint when along comes a bear all dressed up like a waiter. Told him I'd like a Grizzly Beer and an order of toast. "I can getcha the Grizzly, but there ain't no toast," said the bear. "This is lunch, doncha know." I was real tickled that they had the Grizzly Beer. Told the bear how smooth and easy goin' down it was, and how it came in a nice tall bottle and went at regular beer prices. Also told him it was sellin' like hotcakes down there in the U.S.

"Don't have any hotcakes either," said the bear. "This is lunch, doncha know." Fine, I said. Get me a Grizzly Beer and a toasted chicken sandwich. Hold the mayo, hold the lettuce, hold the chicken. Smilin', the bear said, "Where should I hold it?" Well, to make a long story short, the bear brought the Grizzly. And we struck up a friendship. 'Cause he had a sense of humour, you see. Holdin' all that chicken and lettuce in the place he was holdin' it.

Grizzly. Paw yourself a smooth one.